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Docket No. 10400-000227/US
IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Morgan RHYMAN
Int'l App. No.: PCT/SE2004/001595
Application No.: **NEW APPLICATION**
Filed: May 12, 2006
For: A DEVICE FOR CONNECTING TWO RIGID
TUBULAR OBJECTS COMPRISING A MALE
PART AND A FEMAL PART

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Preliminary Amendment.

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